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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 140 S. Lake Ave., Suite 312 Pasadena, CA 91101-4710 May 9, 2005

## Commissioner:

In reply to the Office Action regarding the above-identified application, dated November 30, 2004, a final rejection, and in view of the Advisory Action, dated March 7, 2005, a Request for Continued Examination is submitted herewith, and consideration of the application in view of the Amendments and the Response and Remarks below is respectfully requested.

According to the Advisory Action, the period for reply expires on the later of: (1.) the March 7, 2005 mailing date of the Advisory Action; or (2.) the date set by the Final Rejection. The date set by the Final Rejection was 3 months from the November 30, 2004 mailing date of the Final Rejection, namely, February 28, 2005. Therefore, fees due for the filing of a Request for Continued Examination would be based on the March 7, 2005 mailing date of the Advisory Action.